

[30th January 1931]

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED :—" May I know from the hon. Minister what steps he proposes to take to give facilities for education to the Muslim community in Coimbatore ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" There are no fresh proposals before the Government at present. "

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED :—" May I ask the hon. Minister whether he will call for a report on the present progress of education and then take necessary steps to promote education ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" I do not think that Muhammadan education has been aided to any less extent in Coimbatore than in other places. I do not think it is necessary to call for a report ; however, I shall look into the question. "

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED :—" May I know whether the Minister is satisfied that the Muslim community in Coimbatore has made the same amount of progress as the other communities in the matter of education ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" I have no information in the matter. "

Expenditure on Muslim education in Coimbatore municipality.

* 234 Q.—Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state what is the total amount of expenditure incurred by the Government for the education of Muslim boys and Muslim girls in the municipality of Coimbatore ?

A.—The Government do not maintain any school for Muslim boys or girls in Coimbatore. The expenditure incurred by Government for the education of Muslim boys and girls in the municipality is as shown below :—

	Boys.	Girls.
	RS.	RS.
Subsidy to the Municipal Council,		
Coimbatore	1,997
Teaching grants in 1929-30 ...	456	...
Scholarships in 1929-30	180	...

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED :—" May I know from the hon. Minister why the scholarships in 1929-30 are so few in respect of the Muslim students ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" I cannot say without notice. "

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED :—" May I know whether he will see his way to increase the number of scholarships to Muslim boys and girls in the municipality ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR :—" I cannot promise anything now. "